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**TO:** Iowa Medicaid Participating Acute Hospitals

**FROM:** The Iowa Department of Human Services, Bureau of  
Managed Care & Clinical Services

**SUBJECT:** Procedure Coding Changes

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 1, 2003

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) mandated uniform national standards for health information. Consequently, Iowa Medicaid initiated a review of all local "W" HCPCS codes that are unique to Iowa Medicaid. These local codes are being replaced by CPT and HCPCS Level II codes.

<u>Old Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>New Code</u>
W0500	OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH, BRIEF ENCOUNTER	90899
W0501	ONE TIME PSYCH EVALUATION; 15 MIN.	90899
W0510	BRIEF VISIT & ADMINISTRATION OF PSYCHOTROPIC DRUG	90899
W0512	MED CHECK - NIPS	H0034
W0530	O.P. NUTRITIONAL COUNSELING AGE 0-5; 15 MIN.	97802
W0531	O.P. NUTRITIONAL COUNSELING AGE 6 & ABOVE; 15 MIN.	97802
W0534	NUTRITIONAL COUNSELING AGE 5-20; 15 MIN.	97802
W0550	OUTPATIENT CARDIAC REHAB	S9472
W0551	O.P. EAT. DIS, 1/2 DAY	*
W0552	O.P. EAT. DIS, FULL DAY	*
W0553	O.P. MENTAL, GP. 15 MIN. ; NON-PHYSICIAN	S9480
W0554	O.P. MENTAL ,GP. PHYS.15M	S9480
W0555	OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH, INDIVIDUAL;NON-MD,15MIN.	S9480
W0556	OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH,INDIVIDUAL;MD,15 MIN.	S9480
W0557	OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH, OCCUPATIONAL;15 MIN.	S9480
W0558	OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH TESTING, 15 MIN.	S9480
W0559	OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH, DAY TREATMENT; PER HR.	H2012
W0560	OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH, PARTIAL HOSP.; PER HR.	H0046
W0562	OUTPATIENT PULMONARY REHAB.	S9473
W0563	OUTPATIENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE, HALF DAY < 4 HRS.	H2001
W0564	OUTPATIENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE, FULL DAY>4 HRS.	H0047

\*Continue to use the local HCPCS Code until further notice.

<u>Old Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>New Code</u>
W0565	OUTPATIENT PAIN MANAGEMENT, 1 DAY-NIPS	97799
W0566	OUTPATIENT DIABETIC EDUCATION-NIPS	S9455
W9220	OBSERVATION ROOM, PER HR.	99218
W9281	ER Triage	99211

In order to bill for Non Inpatient Programs (NIPS), a hospital's program must be certified by the Iowa Medicaid Program prior to billing for the services.

**NOTE: REMEMBER, THESE CHANGES ARE EFFECTIVE FOR DATES OF SERVICE 07/01/03 AND AFTER.**

If you have any questions, please contact ACS, fiscal agent of the Iowa Department of Human Services, at 1-800-338-7909 or locally at 515-327-5120.